

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 5

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

JUN 20 2013

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Susan Sylvester, Director
Bureau of Water Quality
Division of Water
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
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P.O. Box 7921
Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7921

Re: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Review of City of Oshkosh, WI draft WPDES Permit No.WI-0025038-08-0

Dear Ms. Sylvester:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has reviewed the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (Permit), fact sheet, and supporting documents for the City of Oshkosh WI that was last submitted to EPA on May 30, 2013. Based on our review to date, EPA would not object to issuance of that permit. However, our position could change if any of the following occurs:

- a. Prior to the actual date of issuance of a Proposed Permit, an effluent guideline or standard is promulgated which is applicable to the permit and which would require revision or modification of a limitation or condition set forth in the Draft Permit;
- b. A variance is granted and the Permit is modified to incorporate the results of that variance;
- c. There are additional revisions to be incorporated into the Permit which have not been agreed to by EPA; or
- d. EPA learns of new information, including as the result of public comments, that causes EPA to reconsider its position.

We wish to thank WDNR staff for their efforts to identify and finalize the appropriate phosphorus limits which are now included in this draft permit.

If you have any technical questions, please contact John Wiemhoff my staff. Mr. Wiemhoff can be reached by telephone at (312) 353-8546 or by Email at Wiemhoff.john@epa.gov@epa.gov.

Thank you for your cooperation during the review process and your consideration of our comments during this process.

Sincerely,

Kevin M. Pierard, Chief

NPDES Programs Branch

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